



SC Annual District Report Card Summary

DORCHESTER 4 School District
Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 2,263
Superintendent: Dr. Morris Ravenell
Board Chair: Dr. Kenneth Jenkins

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Excellent	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2013	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	C	N/A
2012	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
7	1	10	0	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above			
District	71.8%	72.3%	73.7%	77.2%	77.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	66.6%	63.8%	63.1%	69.4%	69.9%
Average District	73.9%	72.3%	70.2%	75.9%	76.2%

SC PASS

SC PASS	2014 Reading	2014 Math	2014 Science	2014 Social Studies	2014 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	35.2%	30.6%	25.3%	36.5%	34.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	33.2%	26.3%	20.0%	28.6%	29.6%
Average District	42.4%	36.6%	26.6%	37.5%	38.6%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests	Passed 1 Subtest	Passed No Subtests
District	76.9%	17.3%	5.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	69.1%	19.9%	11.0%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2014 (%)

District	89.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	89.5%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	72.6%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	68.4%

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

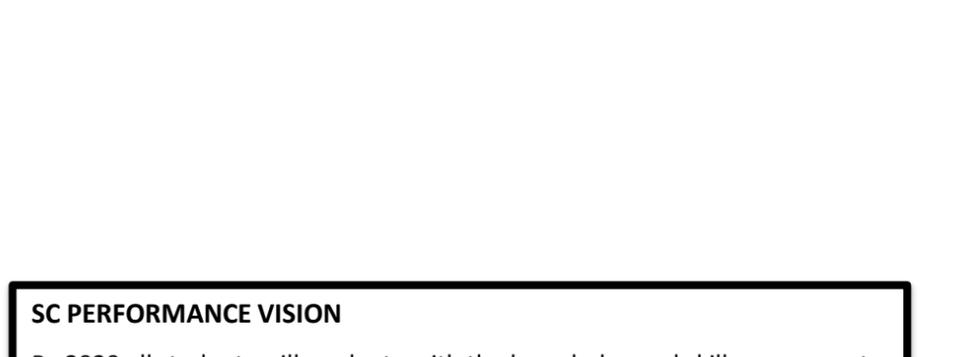
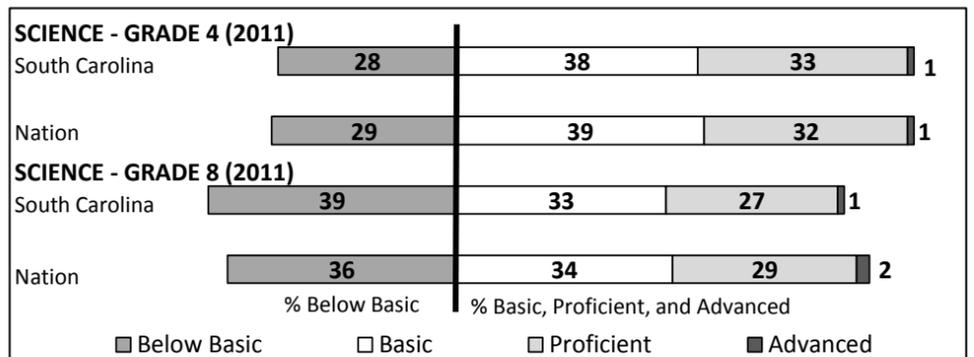
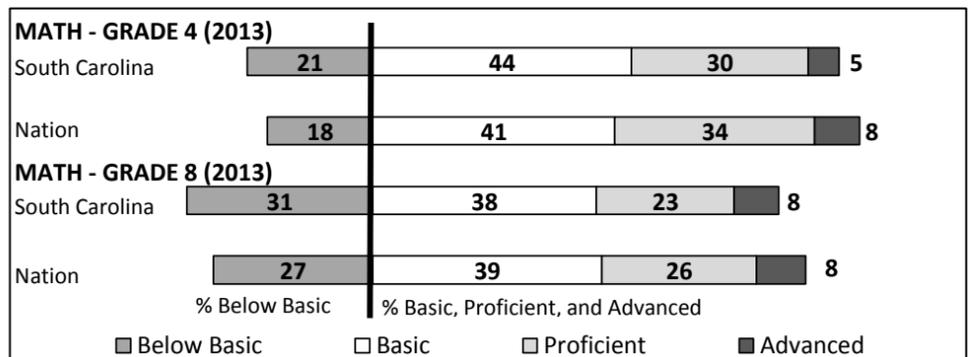
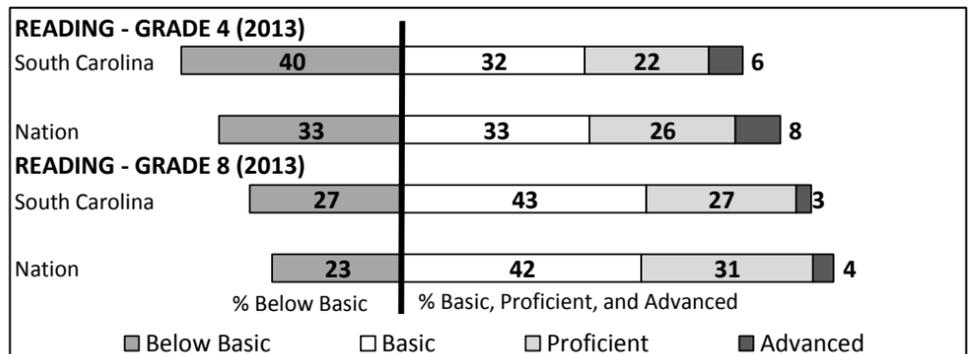
District	83.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	80.4%

** Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.

Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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DORCHESTER 4 School District

DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n = 2,263)				
Retention Rate	2.1%	Up from 1.9%	2.5%	2.1%
Attendance Rate	95.4%	Down from 96.1%	95.9%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	5.4%	Up from 5.0%	10.1%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	16.3%	Up from 15.1%	14.2%	13.1%
Older than usual for grade	4.2%	Down from 4.8%	6.0%	4.6%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.7%	Up from 0.2%	0.7%	0.7%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	3.8%	Up from 3.5%	10.5%	15.7%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	41.8%	51.6%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	30.3%	Up from 29.2%	30.3%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	48	Up from 15	70	115
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	13	Down from 15	18	31
Annual dropout rate	1.6%	Down from 2.4%	2.3%	2.3%

Teachers (n = 171)

Teachers with advanced degrees	53.8%	Down from 54.4%	60.3%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	66.7%	Down from 69.0%	77.9%	79.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.5%	Up from 87.8%	89.7%	90.1%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Up from 93.4%	94.9%	95.2%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,156	Down 2.5%	\$46,459	\$47,169
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No change	0.7%	0.1%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	7.2%	Up from 3.9%	5.5%	4.2%
Professional development days/teacher	6.3 days	Down from 7.7 days	9.5 days	11.1 days

District

Superintendent's years at district	8.0	Up from 7.0	4.0	5.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	4.7 to 1	Down from 16.9 to 1	20.2 to 1	20.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.1%	Up from 88.0%	89.2%	90.0%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$13,003	Up 4.7%	\$9,299	\$9,403
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	48.0%	No change	50.1%	52.6%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	51.0%	No change	53.1%	55.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	6	No change	7	9
Portable classrooms	3.4%	Up from 1.7%	0.8%	0.8%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	6.0	No change	6.0	9.0
Parents attending conferences	90.9%	Down from 100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Average administrator salary	\$81,610	Up 1.9%	\$80,133	\$79,777
Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
ESEA composite index score	78.7	Up from 77.8	76.3	79.5

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

**Prior year audited financial data available.

RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	SC PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	N/A

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA Grade
There are no charter schools in this district.			

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

In Dorchester School District Four, our mission is to develop life-long learners who will have a positive impact on our global world. Achieving this goal requires the concerted efforts of all of our stakeholders—students, parents, faculty, staff, board members, and the community. Our district remains committed to providing students with challenging opportunities in a safe, positive learning environment. During the 2013-2014 school year, several initiatives and interventions were implemented to continue to close the achievement gap, increase our passage rates on standardized assessments, and raise our graduation rate. While the district experienced many successes, we realize that we must continue to work together to ensure that each student receives the quality education he or she deserves.

As we move forward, we remain focused on our vision to be an exemplary district where all students reach their maximum potential with the support of the district, home and community. Our district's infrastructure is one that supports the high academic expectations we have set for our students. We will use our resources to ensure students have access to tools that will enhance their learning experiences in Dorchester School District Four.

Thank you to our stakeholders for your continued support. We appreciate your diligence and commitment to our students.

Jerry G. Montjoy, Superintendent